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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: James E. Dahlberg, *et al.*

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Examiner: Amy H. Bowman

Entitled: Detection of Small Nucleic Acids

**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO  
RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
MAILED MAY 12, 2005**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Madam:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed May 12, 2005, with response due on or before June 12, 2005. A Petition for a three-month extension of time, to September 12, 2005, is included herewith. Also submitted with this communication is a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement and Form 1449 being filed herewith (at TAB 1). Clean copies of the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement are included herewith (at TAB 2). Applicants request that all of these references be made of record in the present application.

In accordance with the procedure for Revised Amendment Practice under 37 C.F.R. §1.121, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.